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For: A STRUCTURE OF A FIELD EFFECT TRANSISTOR HAVING METALLIC

SILICIDE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2005, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to February 8, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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